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For Immediate Release:

## FORMER U.S. SEN. PAUL SIMON TO ADDRESS AMERICAN DIPLOMACY/TERRORISM

CHARLESTON – Former U.S. Sen. Paul Simon will visit the campus of Eastern Illinois University next week to share his thoughts on the United States' diplomatic challenges in fighting terrorism.

His talk will begin at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 5, in Phipps Auditorium (room 1205), located in the Physical Science building. Admission is free and open to the public.

Simon, currently a member of the faculty at Southern Illinois University and director of the Public Policy Institute, teaches courses in political science, journalism and history. He served in the Illinois legislature for 14 years and was elected for one term as Illinois lieutenant governor.

He also served 22 years in the United States Congress, including two terms in the U.S. Senate. In 1988 and 1992, he also was a candidate for the American presidency.

Simon is the author or co-author of 16 books, and has received 47 honorary degrees. During his tenure in public service, he was known for defending the voting rights of all Americans, his efforts to alleviate world hunger and his support of sustainable environmental policies. He also was actively engaged in U.S. foreign policy making, including American intervention into Somalia, Haiti and Bosnia.

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Eastern Illinois University emphasizes distinguished teaching in the liberal arts, sciences and selected professions. A traditional, residential state university of recognized quality, Eastern enrolls more than 10,000 students in undergraduate and graduate programs. The university, located in Charleston, also serves the region through a variety of non-credit and off-site degree programs, as well as cultural and recreational opportunities. Eastern's pursuit of excellence attracts well-qualified students of an increasingly diverse population and a teaching faculty active in research and public service who utilize the latest technology.

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PAUL SIMON

In addition to his teaching activities, Simon travels extensively, giving talks on a wide array of public policy issues.

His visit is co-sponsored by the Center for Foreign Policy and Diplomacy Studies and EIU's Department of Political Science.